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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice.

Please add claims 5-14 as follows:

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C47 5. A pulley unit for use around a shaft that extends in an axial direction, the pulley unit comprising:

inner and outer concentric ring bodies that define an annular space there between;

a one-way clutch, interposed in the annular space between the inner and outer ring bodies, the one way clutch including;

a cam face defined on the outer surface of the inner ring body;

a holder defining a pocket, the holder being positioned on the cam face; and

a roller with a movable surface and an elastic member positioned in the pocket so that the movable surface is in rolling contact with the inner surface of the outer concentric ring body and the outer surface of the inner concentric ring body, the roller locking the one-way clutch when the outer concentric ring body is rotated faster than the inner concentric ring body and the roller unlocking the one-way clutch and engaging the elastic member when the outer concentric ring body is rotated slower than the inner concentric ring body; and

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first and second rolling bearings provided on both sides of the one-way clutch in the annular space so as to restrain axial movement of the one-way clutch, at least one of the rolling bearings including a movable surface that is in rolling contact with the outer surface of the inner ring body.

6. The pulley unit of claim 5, wherein the movable surface of the at least one rolling bearing is in rolling contact with the inner surface of the outer concentric ring body.

7. The pulley unit of claim 6, wherein the number of rolling bearings is two and each of the rolling bearings has a movable surface in rolling contact with both the inner surface of the outer ring body and the outer surface of the inner ring body.

8. The pulley unit of Claim 5, wherein the roller is cylindrically shaped.

9. The pulley unit of claim 5, wherein the first rolling bearing includes a rolling body in the form of a sphere and the second rolling bearing includes a rolling body in the form of a cylinder.

10. A pulley unit for use around a shaft that extends in an axial direction, the pulley unit comprising:

inner and outer concentric ring bodies that define an annular space there between;

a one-way clutch, interposed in the annular space between the inner and outer ring bodies, the one way clutch including;

a cam face defined on the outer surface of the inner ring body;

a holder defining a pocket, the holder being positioned on the cam face; and

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a roller with a movable surface and an elastic member positioned in the pocket so that the movable surface is in rolling contact with the inner surface of the outer concentric ring body and the outer surface of the inner concentric ring body, the roller locking the one-way clutch when the outer concentric ring body is rotated faster than the inner concentric ring body and the roller unlocking the one-way clutch and engaging the elastic member when the outer concentric ring body is rotated slower than the inner concentric ring body; and

a first rolling bearing provided on a base end side of the one-way clutch in the annular space; and
a second rolling bearing provided on a free-end side of the one-way clutch in the annular space, wherein the first rolling bearing includes a rolling body in the form of a cylinder.

11. The pulley unit of claim 10, where a point of application of a load of a belt is set as to be biased to the free-end side of the pulley unit.

12. The pulley unit of claim 10, wherein the at least one rolling bearing is in rolling contact with the inner surface of the outer concentric ring body.

13. The pulley unit of claim 13, wherein the number of rolling bearings is two and each of the rolling bearings has a movable surface in rolling contact with both the inner surface of the outer ring body and the outer surface of the inner ring body.

14. The pulley unit of Claim 10, wherein the roller is cylindrically shaped.